

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

Meeting

VILLAGE OF BEAVERDAM COUNCIL MEETING

BEAR GRAPHICS 800-325-8094 FORM NO. 10148

Held JANUARY 3, 2023

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January 3, 2023

The Beaverdam Village Council met in regular session at the Village Hall.

The meeting began with Council Member Neuenschwander saying a prayer. All present then stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call was taken, and the following Council members were present: Carl Murray Todd Long, Barb Gossard, Jerry Neuenschwander, Tom Nowlan, and Anthony Myers.

VISITORS: There were two visitors present. Phil Bowers was the first visitor to speak to council. Mr. Bowers was present to discuss what would be required to obtain water and sewer services to some property he owns on Swaney road. It was mentioned to Mr. Bowers about the quote that the Village received to replace an existing waterline, and that quote is large. There was some discussion back and forth with Council and Mr. Bowers about what he is thinking about putting in, and that he would be responsible for the cost to get water and sewer services out to the property. The second visitor to speak was Adam Kloepfel. Mr. Kloepfel brought some questions to address with council about things that he read in the minutes from the last couple months. Mr. Kloepfel's questions were regarding boil water advisories, the Joseph Gerdeman property, the 105 Pearl property, the Special meeting emergency session held on November 17, and why Mayor LePine called the Sheriff on the individual that had been at the park. Mr. Kloepfel also inquired if there was notice put out for the special meeting, and he was informed that the notice was put in the Bluffton Icon and on Facebook.

There were a couple spelling corrections to the December 20, 2022 minutes. Council member Anthony Myers made a motion to accept the minutes, and it was seconded by Council member Todd Long. Roll call was taken: Anthony Myers "yes", Tom Nowlan "yes", Jerry Neuenschwander "yes", Barb Gossard "yes", Todd Long "yes", and Carl Murray "yes". **Motion passed.**

OLD BUSINESS:

Council member Anthony Myers made a motion to revise the minutes from September 6, 2022, by removing the line that states "The visitor initially didn't want to share his name, but in the meeting, he decided to share his name which was Adam Kloepfel." The motion was seconded by Council member Jerry Neuenschwander. Roll call was taken: Tom Nowlan "yes", Barb Gossard "yes", Anthony Myers "yes", Carl Murray "yes", Jerry Neuenschwander "yes", and Todd Long "yes". **Motion passed.**

A motion was made by Todd Long to do the second reading on the revisions of the updated employee handbook, it was seconded by Tom Nowlan. Roll call was taken: Barb Gossard "yes", Todd Long "yes", Carl Murray "yes", Anthony Myers "yes", Tom Nowlan "yes", and Jerry Neuenschwander "yes". **Motion passed.**

NEW BUSINESS:

Council President election was held. Todd Long made a motion to reelect Anthony Myers as council president, the motion was seconded by Barb Gossard. Roll call was taken: Jerry Neuenschwander "yes", Tom Nowlan "yes", Barb Gossard "yes", Todd Long "yes", and Carl Murray "yes". **Motion passed.** Anthony Myers abstained.

Resolution 2023-01 is establishing the capital improvements list for 2023 and establishing the rate for the impact fees. A motion was made by Anthony Myers to accept Resolution 2023-01 and seconded by Todd Long. Roll call was taken: Carl Murray "yes", Todd Long "yes", Barb Gossard "yes", Anthony Myers "yes", Tom Nowlan "yes", and Jerry Neuenschwander "yes". **Motion passed.**

Resolution 2023-02 is for the Village of Beaverdam to hire a solicitor for the 2023 year. A motion was made by Jerry Neuenschwander to accept Resolution 2023-02 and seconded by Barb Gossard. Roll call was taken: Anthony Myers "yes", Jerry Neuenschwander "yes", Todd Long "yes", Carl Murray "yes", Barb Gossard "yes", and Tom Nowlan "yes". **Motion passed.**

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Fiscal Officer Hutchinson brought up that the Santa that the Village used this year is already contracting for the 2023 Christmas season. Council decided to hire Santa for the 2023 Christmas open house on December 8, 2023.

Council member Todd Long brought up about the Easter Egg hunt that is held at the Village park. Todd is looking at April 1 for the Easter Egg hunt this year.

A motion to waive the three reading on Ordinance 2023-01 Temporary Appropriations was made by Anthony Myers and seconded by Todd Long. Roll call was taken: Carl Murray "yes", Barb Gossard "yes", Tom Nowlan "yes", Anthony Myers "yes", Jerry Neuenschwander "yes", and Todd Long "yes". **Motion passed.**

A motion to pass Ordinance 2023-01 Temporary Appropriations was made by Anthony Myers and seconded by Tom Nowlan. Roll call was taken: Todd Long "yes", Barb Gossard "yes", Jerry Neuenschwander "yes", Carl Murray "yes", Tom Nowlan "yes", and Anthony Myers "yes". **Motion passed.**

FISCAL OFFICER REPORT A motion to accept Ordinance 2023-02 (*An Ordinance to Pay Bills*) was made by Council member Todd Long and seconded by Council member Carl Murray. Roll call was taken: Tom Nowlan "yes", Jerry Neuenschwander "yes", Barb Gossard "yes", Anthony Myers "yes", Todd Long "yes", and Carl Murray "yes". **Motion passed.**

A motion was made by Todd Long to accept December 31, 2022 Appropriations Summary and seconded by Tom Nowlan. Roll call was taken: Carl Murray "yes", Todd Long "yes", Barb Gossard "yes", Jerry Neuenschwander "yes", Tom Nowlan "yes", and Anthony Myers "yes". **Motion passed.**

A motion was made by Jerry Neuenschwander to accept December 31, 2022 Fund Summary and seconded by Tom Nowlan. Roll call was taken: Anthony Myers "yes", Tom Nowlan "yes", Jerry Neuenschwander "yes", Barb Gossard "yes", Todd Long "yes", and Carl Murray "yes". **Motion passed.**

A motion was made by Anthony Myers to accept December 31, 2022 Revenue Summary and seconded by Carl Murray. Roll call was taken: Tom Nowlan "yes", Barb Gossard "yes", Anthony Myers "yes", Carl Murray "yes", Jerry Neuenschwander "yes", and Todd Long "yes". **Motion passed.**

COMMITTEE REPORTS

MAYOR: Mayor LePine brought up that she heard a lot of compliments about the maintenance workers keeping the roads cleared during the inclement weather that we recently had.

FINANCE: There was nothing to discuss currently.

STREET: There was nothing to discuss currently.

SAFETY/TREES: There was nothing to discuss currently.

BUILDING: There was nothing to discuss currently.

REC BOARD: There was nothing to discuss currently.

UTILITY: There was nothing to discuss currently.

PROPERTY MAINTENANCE: There was nothing to discuss currently.

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VILLAGE ADMINISTRATOR:

Prospect Street waterline nothing has changed since the last meeting.

Swisher received an agreement from the Nature Works Grant, and there is a page that Solicitor Huffman has to fill out for the Village.

Nothing has changed regarding the Gerdeman property since the last meeting.

The Town Hall is going to be getting painted in January.

Alltree Tree Care will come out and cut trees down once the weather clears up. The maintenance works are going to mark which trees are going to be cut down so that the Village residents have an idea of which trees are coming down.

There is an Equipment Grant that the Ohio EPA came out with that the Village could apply for and possibly receive up to \$10,000. Maintenance worker Long is going to get Swisher a list to be able to apply for the grant.

Swisher provided council information about the utility rates, and what the utility funds looked like for 2022. There was discussion about how much to raise the water, sewer, and garbage rates on the utility bills. It was decided to raise the water rate by 20%, and the sewer and garbage rate by 10% each. Swisher will prepare an ordinance for the next meeting to adopt the new utility rates.

A motion was made by Jerry Neuenschwander to apply for the Ohio EPA Equipment grant, and it was seconded by Anthony Myers. Roll call was taken: Barb Gossard "yes", Todd Long "yes", Carl Murray "yes", Anthony Myers "yes", Tom Nowlan "yes", and Jerry Neuenschwander "yes". **Motion passed.**


SOLICITOR: Huffman had nothing to discuss.

Hutchinson received a records request for the audio recording from the December 20, 2022 meeting from Mr. Kloeppel. Solicitor Huffman informed him that it is a public record, but for Kloeppel to be able to receive the recordings he will have to pay for the media that the recordings will be put on. Huffman also mentioned that Mr. Kloeppel could be charged for the time it takes Hutchinson to prepare the drive for him, according to the public record request laws.

With no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Council Member Todd Long and seconded by Council Member Jerry Neuenschwander. Roll call was taken: Jerry Neuenschwander "yes", Tom Nowlan "yes", Anthony Myers "yes", Barb Gossard "yes", Todd Long "yes", Carl Murray "yes". **Motion passed.**



Mayor



Council President



Fiscal Officer